

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2008-113-W – ORDER NO. 2008-388
MAY 21, 2008

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| IN RE: Tammy Johndrow of Goat Island Restaurant |) | ORDER GRANTING |
| and Goat Island Bait and Tackle Shop, |) | REQUEST FOR |
| |) | CONFIDENTIAL |
| Complainant/Petitioner, |) | TREATMENT |
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| v. |) | |
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| Goat Island Water & Sewer Company, Inc., |) | |
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| Defendant/Respondent. |) | |

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) on the request filed by Goat Island Water & Sewer Company, Inc. (Goat Island Water & Sewer) to treat as confidential certain information filed with the Commission in the present docket. The requested confidential treatment pertains to the filing of testimony by Goat Island Water & Sewer.

Pursuant to letter issued by the Commission's Docketing Department on April 2, 2008, Goat Island Water & Sewer was to prefile with the Commission its direct testimony and exhibits on or before May 6, 2008. As required and on behalf of Goat Island Water & Sewer, on May 6, 2008, the direct testimony and exhibit of Billie Ann Oliver, maintainer of records for Goat Island Water & Sewer, were filed with the Commission. Certain portions of the testimony and the exhibit were marked "redacted for

customer privacy.” In accordance with the guidelines set out in Commission Order No. 2005-226, Goat Island Water & Sewer filed an unredacted version of the testimony in a separate and sealed package clearly marked “confidential” from the Company’s filed “public” version.

The South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) allows exemption from disclosure proprietary business information that meets a definition of “personal information.” S.C. Code Ann. Section 30-4-40(a)(2) states that matters which may be exempt from FOIA include: “(2) Information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy.”

We find that the information for which Goat Island Water & Sewer seeks protection as confidential contains personal customer account information and falls within the definition of materials which may be exempted from disclosure under FOIA. Further, we find that the request of Goat Island Water & Sewer should be granted and the information for which confidentiality is sought should be considered proprietary and confidential and filed under seal.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The request of Goat Island Water & Sewer Company, Inc. for confidential treatment of certain portions of the prefiled testimony and the exhibit of Billie Ann Oliver submitted on behalf of Goat Island Water & Sewer Company, Inc. is granted. The Commission and Commission Staff shall treat the materials as confidential, and such materials shall not be subject to public disclosure absent further order of this Commission.

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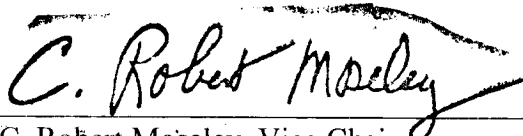
2 This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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